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## AGE ALSO WILL BE SERVED

Youth Has Nothing Like a Leading Place in the Business World of Today.

Youth is lovely, a beautiful thing: but let not the youngsters grow too eocky.

The fact of Col. Washington A. Roebling, eighty-four years old, being elected to the presidency of a big bridge company, has prompted B. C. Forbes, the financial writer, to investigate the truth of the saying that America is a young man's country. It isn't so, he says, according to the Philadelphia Evening Ledger, Big men, he declares, do their best work after they are fifty.

E. H. Gary was past fifty when he took hold of the big job with the United States Steel corporation that he has held for more than twenty

Not one important railroad president in the country is less than forty; hardly any less than fifty. Samuel Rea was fifty-eight when he took hold of his present job with the Pennsylvania. Truesdale of the Lackawanna is seventy; Elliott of the Northern Pacific, sixty-one: Lovett of the Harriman lines, sixty-one; Smith of the New York Central, fifty-eight: Willard of the Baltimore & Ohio, sixty.

One of the most powerful bankers in the country, George F. Baker, is in his eighty-second year! Another, A. Barton Hepburn, is seventy-eight.

Though Charles M. Schwab, Henry P. Davidson and Frank A. Vanderlip won fame early (that is, before forty), their greatest work has been done when they could not possibly be classed as chickens.

All of which seems to show that fame, after all, is no cradle snatcher or chicken stealer.

Let the cockeries crow as they may, the wise old roosters still appear to deminate the heap.

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FAILURE OF SWINE TO MATE

It May Be Caused by Improper Functioning of System Brought About by Improper Feed.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Fallure in the ability or desire of swine to reproduce may be caused by any of several conditions, say specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. It may result from a discase or injury that seriously affects or destroys the secretory reproductive organs. It may be caused by improper functioning of the system. which in turn is often brought about by unsuitable feed or faulty elimination of waste products, or it may be due to a general lowering of body vitality.

There are also cases of sterility or impotence for which definite causes are difficult to find. Failure to breed quite frequently occurs in boars and sows which have been fitted and kept in high condition for show purposes. In some instances the sow fails to come in heat, or perhaps indicates that she is in heat and is successfully served by the boar without resulting conception. In other cases the boar shows no desire to mate, or acts ineffectively.

The first step in overcoming the trouble is to find a positive cause, when possible, by making a thorough examination. This should include a search for physical defects, the presence of disease, the results of injuries. or lowered vitality from any cause.

When, from such examination, it appears that proper treatment will prove successful, remedies should be administered promptly. But if the cause is obscure, or if there is little likelihood of correcting the defect successfully, it is best to remove the animal from the breeding herd. Boars may be castrated and fitted for slaughter as market hogs. Similarly, sows should be discarded when they become uncertain breeders.

When there is no apparent cause for failure of swine to mate, experts of the United States Department of Agriculture frequently have observed

lazy or sluggish temperament These hogs generally are of the type known as "hot-bloods." They are fat and show an unwillingness to exer cise. The tendency is more common in mature hogs and increases with age, but is frequently found in young stock. Careless and unwise inbreeding practices tend to produce hogs of this type, but inbreeding does not necessarily bring about the condition,

When the lack of sexual vigor is seen in only an occasional animal it



may be possible to recognize the fault in blood lines or type. But when failure to mate occurs frequently and when the type is right, the indications are that the system of management is fundamentally wrong.

Upon the appearance of this condition an effort should be made to correct it by a restriction or modification of the dlet and an abundance of exercise. The ration must have the fatproducing feeds largely reduced and protein feeds plentifully supplied. Pastures should be provided where possible, but when these are not available then the ration should consist of alfalfa meal, alfalfa, soybean or clover hay to supply protein and vitamines, high-grade tankage, fish meal, linseed meal, or a good grade of white middlings and whole oats-with but small amounts of corn or ground barley, together with a good mineral mixture. In addition an abundance of daily exercise must be given. This will probably have to be forced by driving the boar or sow about the paddocks or pastures dally until the animal is

tired. By maintaining the digestive functions in a proper manner, by causing abundant exercise and by supplying proper nourishment, there will be brought about a proper elimination of the body wastes and a rebuilding of the tissues. This should cause the reproductive organs to function properly and bring about a toning up of the system in such manner that breeding operations will be successfully con-

Swine breeders must be alert to the necessity for ruggedness in herd boars in addition to other qualifications. Breeders must refrain also from too great a degree of fineness and smoothness in the selection of their breeding animals, or loss of breeding power will ultimately develop in their berds.

# STOCK GLIANINGS

PRUNING SAVES OLD ORCHARD

County Agent in South Carolina Community Revives Trees and Destroys Insects.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Many an old orchard would produce fruit for a number of years if it were properly pruned. The county agents are endeavoring to see that the orchards in their counties that are in need of pruning are receiving this attention. One such orchard in Bamberg county, South Carolina, has been used for a demonstration in pruning for the past year and a half, and the results have been beyond expectations.



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## NEXT SEASON'S BERRY CROP

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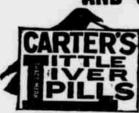
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